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SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF THAI DELEGATION TO IPU CONFERENCE

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1. THE VENUE OF THE 61ST CONFERENCE OF THE INTER-PARLIAMENTARY UNION (IPU) HAS BEEN CHANGED TO GENEVA. AN EIGHT-MAN THAI DELEGATION WILL ATTEND THE CONFERENCE SCHEDULED FROM OCTOBER 22 TO 26, AND TRAVEL IN THE UNITED STATES FROM OCTOBER 9 TO 18 ON ITS WAY TO GENEVA.

2. THE DELEGATION IS COMPOSED OF THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY (SEE REFS A AND B FOR BIOGRAPHIES AND TITLES): MAJOR GENERAL SIRI SIRIYODHIN; LT. GENERAL CHOTE HIRANYASTHITI AND MADAM BUBHA; MAJOR GENERAL DHEP KRANLERT AND MADAM PRANGTHIP; DR. SNOH UNAKUL AND MADAM NONGNUT; DR. CHOOP KARNYANAPRAKON; SUPASIT MAHAGUNA; PARADA BURNANASIRI; AND ASWIN SNIDVONG NA AYUDHYA, ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE DELEGATION.

3. THE DELEGATION PLANS TO LEAVE BANGKOK OCTOBER 2,
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STOP IN TAIPEI, AND ENTER THE UNITED STATES AT

HONOLULU ON OCTOBER 7. THE DELEGATION WILL BE IN WASHINGTON, D.C., AS A BODY, ALTHOUGH SOME MEMBERS WILL GO THEIR SEPARATE WAYS DURING THE FIRST PART OF THEIR TRIP TO THE STATES. THEY WILL DEPART FOR EUROPE FROM NEW YORK ON OCTOBER 18. SUPASIT, HOWEVER, IS PRESENTLY IN THE STATES.

4. SIRI, CHOTE AND MADAM, PARACHA AND ASWIN ARE ALL ON THE FOLLOWING SCHEDULE:

OCTOBER 7 DEPART TAIPEI 1655 TW742
ARRIVE HONOLULU 1155
OCTOBER 9 DEPART HONOLULU 0815 TW744
ARRIVE LOS ANGELES 1620
OCTOBER 12 DEPART LOS ANGELES 0740 TW298
ARRIVE LAS VEGAS 0830
OCTOBER 14 DEPART LAS VEGAS 1105 TW 198/438
ARRIVE WASHINGTON 2012
OCTOBER 17 DEPART WASHINGTON (TIME, FLIGHT UNKNOWN)
ARRIVE NEW YORK
OCTOBER 18 DEPART NEW YORK 2115 TW904
ARRIVE MADRID 0700

5. DR. SNOH WILL REMAIN WITH TW744 AND DEPLANE IN SAN FRANCISCO AT 1827 ON OCTOBER 9. HE WILL DEPART SAN FRANCISCO ON OCTOBER 1 AND JOIN THE REST OF THE DELEGATION IN LAS VEGAS, DEPARTURE TIME AND FLIGHT PRESENTLY UNKNOWN.

6. DHEP AND MADAM WILL BE WITH THE DELEGATION WHEN IT ARRIVES IN HONOLULU AND LOS ANGELES. THEY INTEND TO DEPART LOS ANGELES OCTOBER 12 AT 1105 VIA TW 198 FOR CHICAGO. ARRIVAL TIME IN CHICAGO UNKNOWN AT PRESENT. ON OCTOBER 15 THEY INTEND TO FLY FROM CHICAGO TO WASHINGTON, D.C. AND REJOIN THE DELEGATION, FLIGHT AND TIMES PRESENTLY UNKNOWN.

7. CHOOP WILL BE WITH THE DELEGATION WHEN IT ARRIVES IN HONOLULU AND LOS ANGELES. WE HAVE BEEN TOLD THAT HE WILL SPLIT OFF FROM THE DELEGATION AND FLY FROM LOS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ANGELES TO INDIANAPOLIS. HE WILL LEAVE INDIANAPOLIS FOR CHICAGO ON OCTOBER 11 AND DEPART CHICAGO OCTOBER 14 TO REJOIN THE DELEGATION IN WASHINGTON, D.C. NO FIRM TIMES ON FLIGHT PLANS AVAILABLE.

8. ACTION REQUESTED: PARADA, THE DELEGATION'S SECRETARY, HAS OFFICIALLY REQUESTED FACILITATIVE SERVICES. HE ALSO ASKED THAT A VISIT TO THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS AND A

TOUR OF THE CAPITOL BE SCHEDULED FOR THE DELEGATION DURING ITS STAY
IN WASHINGTON.

WE BELIEVE THE THAI WOULD APPRECIATE MEETING MEMBERS
OF THE U.S. DELEGATION, IF POSSIBLE. SUGGEST THE
DEPARTMENT INFORM THE RECEPTION CENTERS OF THE THAI
DELEGATION'S IMPENDING ARRIVAL.
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